

8-7 July 1977
IN RESPONSE:

In the June issue of The Illustrated Press, the monthly publication of the Old Time Radio Club of Buffalo, Chuck Seeley, the editor, publicly spoke out against Hello Again and the collectors' listing.

He said..."The \$3.00 price tag (of the collectors' listing) is unreasonable. Assuming he used the same printing process, mimeograph, (I did) for the listing as he used for HA, he'll make his money back after the first 8 or 10 sales. HA itself is getting sloppier, revealing lack of care in its preparation. It's certainly not worth \$6.00 per year."

I have never publicly denounced a publication and advised people not to buy it. In fact I have never seen any publication reviewed like this. I think a letter to me would have been the courteous and professional thing to do. I have publicized the Buffalo Club more than once as well as all other clubs and newsletters.

I realize other monthly publications, such as Airwaves, Nostalgia Radio News, and The Illustrated Press contain more pages and are printed better because of more sophisticated equipment, more people, or more time.

Hello Again served a needed purpose in 1970 and I had the time to put out several pages and write articles. Perhaps it is not needed now because of all the other newsletters. I have thought several times of stopping. About 70% of my subscribers renew. 330 people receive HA. All other newsletters and clubs get it free on a trading basis and all personalities get it free. If any of you ever wish a refund I will return it.

If you think \$3.00 for the collectors list was too much, I will refund all of part of your money. If other people write in that \$3.00 is too high I will reduce the cost. Considering the time spent from typing to stuffing envelopes I make very little money ~~considering the time spent.~~

I have never missed a month in spite of various personal problems during the last 7 years. Sometimes it is only 2 pages. I don't have the time to write original articles. I rely on what people send in. I have an old mimeograph machine which streaks sometimes. I can't buy expensive machines now. I do it all alone and do the best I can.

I wish to thank all my faithful subscribers and those of you who have written to me with most favorable comments about my work the last 7 years.

Jay Hickerson

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CONVENTION BULLETIN #4..SPONSORED By the Friends of Old Radio and Hello Again..PLACE: Holiday Inn, Meriden, Ct 06450 off I-91 and the Merritt Pkwy-East Main St. exit..DATE: Sat, Oct 1st, 9 am to 11 pm..COST: \$13 per person which includes buffet dinner. Cost for children under 16 will be \$10..SPECIAL GUESTS tentatively coming are: Mandel Kramer, Noel Gerson, George Ansbros, Vicki Vola, Ed Blainey, Raymond E Johnson, Peg Lynch, Blair Walliser, Ernest Kinoy, Fred Foy, Warren Somerville, Grace Matthews, Court Benson, Tony Marvin..DISPLAY AND DEALERS TABLES: 6 feet long; about 30 available; no extra charge for tables. 14 taken so far..PROGRAM: Live Radio Show, panel discussion, awards, name that show quiz, movies...MAILING: Make check out to and send to Jay Hickerson, Box C, Orange, Ct 06477. Mention if you want to participate in a radio-related talent show...PLEASE PUBLICIZE this locally on radio and in newsletters and newspapers...NUMBER COMING so far is 60. Let's hear from you soon.....If you can't come but want me to distribute flyers for you send me about 300 if you can....I will have my flyer out announcing the convention the end of July. It will be mailed to all non-subscribers of HA. If you want some to distribute where you are or in your newsletter tell me how many to send...Our last committee meeting was on June 26th. Ed Blainey was there and entertained us with many experiences of his in radio.

IN FOND MEMORY: Alan Reed (Teddy Bergman), Jun 14, 69; Was on many radio shows including ABIES IRISH ROSE, BABY SNOOKS, BIG SISTER, DUFFY'S TAVERN, EDDIE CANTOR, FRED ALLEN, JOE PALOOKA, LIFE WITH LUIGI, MY FRIEND IRMA. On TV he was the voice of Fred Flintstone and was on Andy's Gang...Robert Middleton, Jun 14, 66; actor...Geraldine Brooks, Jun 19, 49; Had many TV credits; was on The Dumplings. a short-lived TV show in early 1976...Dennis Bradken, 47; announcer on Mike Roy's Cooking Thing...Sid Collins; for over 25 years the voice of the Indianapolis 500...Jim Boles, May 26; played Doc in ALAM; also BEST SELLERS, GENE AUTREY, TENNESSEE JED, TWO ON A CLUE. Frank Lemanski sent me this information. Frank, 189 Lewis Ave, Meriden, Ct 06450 has an extensive list of radio, TV, and movie people who have died.

CONVENTION AND PLACES: The Golden Radio Buffs of MD are holding their 6th Annual Golden Mike Awards Banquet on Sat, Oct 29th from 7:30 pm to midnight at the Holiday Inn off Baltimore #9 at Cromwell Bridge and Gleneagles Rds, Baltimore, Md 21204. Special guest will be Chester Lauck (Lum) of LUM AND ABNER. Cost is \$18.00 for non-members. Send to Gene Leitner, 3127 Wallford Dr #D, Baltimore, Md 21222....In New York City visit the Museum of Broadcasting at 1 East 53 St, NYC, NY 10022. It is an excellent listening library of radio and TV shows...While near Freehold, NJ visit the Broadcasters Hall of Fame, 19 W Main St, Freehold, NJ 07728. It contains much memorabilia of radio's golden age.

CATALOGUES AND NEW SHOWS: Herb Sadowsky, 105-25 65th Ave, Forest Hills, NY 11375; early 1977 supplement; variety...Marty Lewin, 8836 Lincolnwood Dr, Evanston, Ill 60203; Supplement 5; includes reels of LUX, new AFPS Benny shows, 2 HALLS OF IVY reels, and Jack Armstrong...Jerry Perchesky, Box 444, Watsonville, Cal 95076 just received complete run of ET's of CALLING ALL CARS 1934-39. Jerry says to visit Electronic Museum at Foothill College, Los Altos, Cal; Great radio display



IF BOX IS CHECKED YOUR SUBSCRIPTION HAS EXPIRED

LOGS: Ray Stanich, 173 Columbia Hts, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Complete log of THIS IS MY BEST 1944-46; Send a SASE. Also will include a revised JUNGLE JUM log if you want it.

THE TAPE DECK: Bill Kapp, 372 S Harvey, St. Louis, Mo 63135 also looking for a way to stop CB interference in his tape recorders. Anybody have an answer.

MAILING: Special 4th-class rates for tapes and books went up again. It is now 30¢ for the first pound and 11¢ for each additional pound up to 8 pounds.

NEW ADDRESSES: Hugh Andersen, B-Mt. Gilead Rd Rt 1, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576...Richard Dillman, Box 288, Brookville, Pa 15825...Richard Krm, 714 Elkington Ln, Olivette, Mo 63132...Bill Blalock's new street address is 1614 Davison, Richland, WA 99352. Bill would like to buy a 16" turntable, preferably with both vertical and lateral play tone arms.

Jack McCarthy, one of our guests at the last convention, is undergoing treatment for two tumors in his lungs. I know he would like to hear from his many friends at this time. He has trouble talking. My prayers are with him. Write to Jack at 38 E 85th St, NYC, NY 10028

HERE AND THERE: New Friends; Kenneth Jones, Box 533, Rim Forest, Cal 92378..Fred Shay, 30 Willow St, Mt. Arlington, NJ 07856; Fred has the first 14 SEALED BOOK transcription for trade or sale. Also wants ILAM and KRAFT MUSIC HALL with Al Jolson...Bruce Tidball, 1434 Jones #6, San Fran, Cal 94109...Carl Larsen, 3872 Amboy Rd, Staten Island, NY 10308.

Old Friends: Burt Brown, 566 Wayland Ave, Providence, RI 02906 looking for 1974 WPRO broadcast of War of the Worlds type show... Josh Bray, Box 98, Green Ln, Pa 18054 looking for the 3rd and 4th Frost-Nixon interview,, Gerry Lieber-Mackay, Box 13072, So Lake Tahoe, Cal 95702 looking for any of W W Chaplin's news broadcasts for his daughter. Gerry will also help new collectors by accepting blank tape (cassette) and return postage for shows. Do not send cheap tape. You may get his catalog for 24¢ and a large Self-addressed clasped manila folder...Tom Brown, Box 86, Liverpool, NY 13088 looking for shows to match several scripts he has including Fred Allen 5/14/44; 6/4/44; 3/3/46; 10/20/46; 6/27/48; Shadow: Ghost Building and Flames of Death; DIMENSION X "Universe;" TAR-ZAN-1933 episode 78; ILAM Tropics Don't Call it Murder 2/23/50 and ESCAPE Blue Hotel...Paul Groy, 48-50 38th St, Long Island City, NY 11101 recently visited Museum of Broadcasting in New York and well recommends it. Paul is looking for a ride to the convention. If you can take him please contact him...Frank Lemanski (page 1) wants to know what bands the Armed Forces Network shows come in on. He has a short wave radio and wants to hear F. Brasee's 2 shows with Curley Bradley on Sep 18 and 25...Tom Heathwood, 340 Parker St, Newton Centre, Ma 02159 having an auction of ET's. Write for information by July 30th...Charlie Ingersoll, 315 1st Ave Se, Aitkin, MN 56431 has many old 78's with old dance of the 1920's and 30's all in mint condition, such as Rudy Vallee and Gene Goldkette. He could put about 60 records on an 1800' reel and would charge \$8.50. He can't do it until after September 10th. Write if you are interested....Temporarily disregard Gerry Lieber-Mackay's

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offers on page 2. I just got word he will be moving. I will let you know when he can resume trading...Jim Weber, 445 Goodhope St, Norco, La 70079 looking for vertical transcriptions-any program or musical content...Don Koehnemann, 811 Bråstol, Westchester, Ill 60153 still looking for Benny show in which he gets pregnant; also wants the set of 8 Mark 56 LP's. Don has the first Benny show for Canada Dry for trade...Bob Burnham, 17173 Westbrook, Livonia, Mich 48152 has gotten behind in trading and would like anyone that he owes tapes to to write him and he will get them out right away.

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: A three-hour special celebrating the 50th anniversary of CBS will be broadcast on Sep 18th. Walter Cronkite is supposed to be the host.

It is now July 8th. Tomorrow I go to a local Boy Scout camp for a week where I will be counselor for my son's troop. I will try to mail these before I go.

That's all for now. Write if you get work and Hang by your thumbs.

See you at the convention

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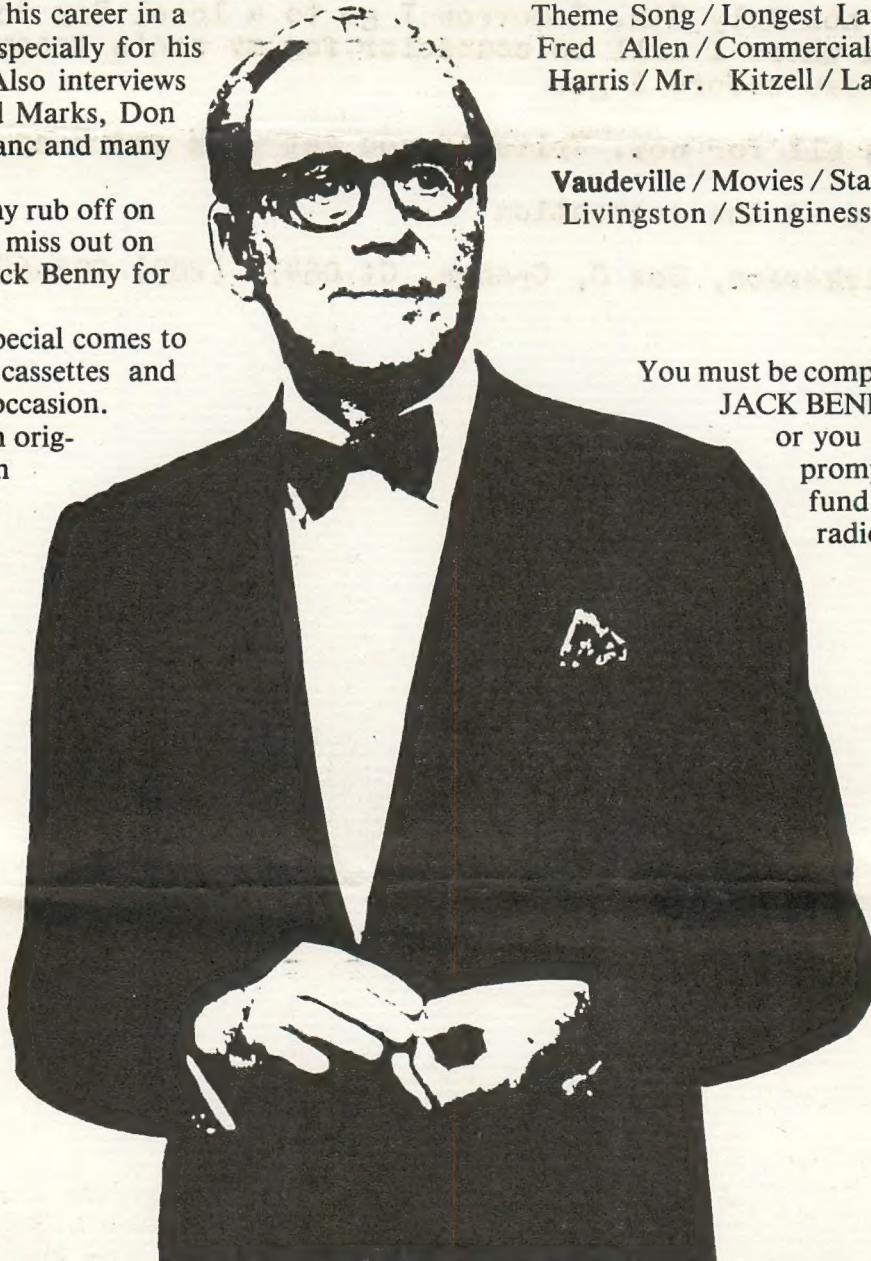
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